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**From:** Strauss, Linda [Strauss.Linda@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 10/5/2018 6:45:07 PM  
**To:** Beck, Nancy [Beck.Nancy@epa.gov]; Morris, Jeff [Morris.Jeff@epa.gov]; Henry, Tala [Henry.Tala@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Bertrand, Charlotte [Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov]; Baptist, Erik [Baptist.Erik@epa.gov]; Dunton, Cheryl [Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Pierce, Alison [Pierce.Alison@epa.gov]; Ortiz, Julia [Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: ACTION: The Intercept re follow-up on PFAS

+ Jeff and Tala

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**From:** Beck, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2018 2:44 PM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Baptist, Erik <Baptist.Erik@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
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Let's talk w Jeff regarding precedents of releasing this publicly through a press response.

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On Oct 5, 2018, at 1:17 PM, Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov> wrote:

Julia, thanks. Nancy, your thoughts?

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**From:** Ortiz, Julia  
**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2018 1:15 PM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <Strauss.Linda@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Scheifele, Hans <Scheifele.Hans@epa.gov>  
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They're reporting that the breakdown is not publicly available.

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2018 11:13 AM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Scheifele, Hans <Scheifele.Hans@epa.gov>  
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**Importance:** High

Julia?

**From:** Beck, Nancy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 05, 2018 11:00 AM  
**To:** Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>; Bertrand, Charlotte <[Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov](mailto:Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov)>; Baptist, Erik <[Baptist.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Baptist.Erik@epa.gov)>  
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Is the year by year breakdown all publicly available information?

Nancy

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 4, 2018 9:59 AM  
**To:** Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Bertrand, Charlotte <[Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov](mailto:Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov)>; Baptist, Erik <[Baptist.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Baptist.Erik@epa.gov)>  
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FYI, reporter pinged OPA (and OPA pinged me).

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 03, 2018 1:45 PM  
**To:** Ortiz, Julia <[Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov)>; Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Henry, Tala <[Henry.Tala@epa.gov](mailto:Henry.Tala@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Bertrand, Charlotte <[Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov](mailto:Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov)>; Baptist, Erik <[baptist.erik@epa.gov](mailto:baptist.erik@epa.gov)>; Parsons, Doug <[Parsons.Douglas@epa.gov](mailto:Parsons.Douglas@epa.gov)>; Dunton, Cheryl <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)>; Pierce, Alison <[Pierce.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Pierce.Alison@epa.gov)>  
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What do you think of the below in order to break this free/send to the reporter?

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**From:** Ortiz, Julia  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 02, 2018 7:04 PM  
**To:** Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>; Bertrand, Charlotte <[Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov](mailto:Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov)>; Baptist, Erik <[Baptist.Erik@epa.gov](mailto:Baptist.Erik@epa.gov)>; Parsons, Doug <[Parsons.Douglas@epa.gov](mailto:Parsons.Douglas@epa.gov)>; Dunton, Cheryl

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Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 1, 2018, at 5:40 PM, Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Why can we provide year by year for CBI but not the non-CBI?

Thanks.

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**From:** Strauss, Linda  
**Sent:** Monday, October 1, 2018 1:22 PM  
**To:** Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov>; Bertrand, Charlotte <Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov>; Baptist, Erik <Baptist.Erik@epa.gov>; Parsons, Doug <Parsons.Douglas@epa.gov>; Dunton, Cheryl <Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov>; Pierce, Alison <Pierce.Alison@epa.gov>; Ortiz, Julia <Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov>  
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Nancy/Charlotte/Erik, sorry if Doug already passed on to you on Friday. Let us know if you have edits about the below response. Thanks.

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**From:** Jones, Enesta

**Sent:** Friday, September 21, 2018 9:40 AM

**To:** Dunton, Cheryl <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)>; Ortiz, Julia <[Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov)>; Strauss, Linda <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>; Pierce, Alison <[Pierce.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Pierce.Alison@epa.gov)>

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**Subject:** RE: ACTION: The Intercept re follow-up on PFAS

EOD is fine, she says.

She added this one:

I had asked whether some of the 672 PFAS on the inventory that did not come through the PMN process might have entered the inventory through low volume exemptions or some other exemptions. And then I asked to get a breakdown by year. I want to be clear that, if some of the PFAS did in fact get LVE or other exemptions, I'd like to know HOW MANY may have gotten those exemptions as part of the breakdown by year they entered the inventory.

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**Sent:** Friday, September 21, 2018 9:02 AM  
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All, she added two questions.

For the PFAS that aren't active, what does that mean exactly? Were they never active? Or were they active and then subsequently withdrawn?

According to the information you provided below, there are 43 CBI PFAS that didn't go through new chemicals program. How did those PFAS get on inventory? Did they predate TSCA because they've been in commerce since 1976? If so, why would their names still be CBI? Or did they get on the inventory some other way? And, if so, how did they get on the inventory?

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**From:** Jones, Enesta  
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**Cc:** Jones, Enesta <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)>  
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Hi All, the reporter — Sharon Lerner — has returned with follow-up that is due at noon on Sept. 21.

DDL is noon on 9/21.

- 1) I know that the chemical inventory has been in the process of being updated. Do these numbers reflect the fully updated inventory? Or is that process still underway and thus could these numbers soon be bigger once the inventory is completed?
- 2) During what period of time were the 907 PFAS you mention received and reviewed by the New Chemicals Program? Can you please break them down by year?
- 3) If I'm understanding you correctly, there are 672 PFAS on the inventory that did not come through the PMN process. Am I right to assume that that means that they entered the inventory through low volume exemptions or some other exemptions? If not, how did they get on the inventory? And can I get a breakdown by year of when those PFAS entered the inventory?

**From:** "Strauss, Linda" <[Strauss.Linda@epa.gov](mailto:Strauss.Linda@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** August 14, 2018 at 8:05:52 AM EDT  
**To:** "Daguillard, Robert" <[Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov](mailto:Daguillard.Robert@epa.gov)>, "Jones, Enesta" <[Jones.Enesta@epa.gov](mailto:Jones.Enesta@epa.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Ortiz, Julia" <[Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov](mailto:Ortiz.Julia@epa.gov)>, "Pierce, Alison" <[Pierce.Alison@epa.gov](mailto:Pierce.Alison@epa.gov)>, "Dunton, Cheryl" <[Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov](mailto:Dunton.Cheryl@epa.gov)>, "Parsons, Doug"



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And this one.

RESPONSE

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All,

**Reporter: Sharon Lerner**

**DDL: 8/10, noon**

On EPA's website --<https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-laws-and-regulations> --- it says that there are 478 PFAS on the TSCA Inventory (though the inventory is still "interim" due to inventory reset), 294 of which have been added to the inventory since 2006.

In particular, it says: **330** non-CBI PFAS are listed on the Interim Updated TSCA Inventory. In addition, **148** CBI PFAS are reported.

But at the recent PFAS Summit, Jeff Morris, director of OPPT, reported that "[n]early 900 new PFAS chemicals have come through EPA's TSCA program since 2006." <https://www.epa.gov/pfas/pfas-national-leadership-summit-materials>

Can you please help me understand this discrepancy? In particular, he says that 900 new PFAS "came through" the TSCA program. Yet the website indicates that only 294 PFAS have been added to the inventory since 2006. What happened to the other 606 PFAS that "came through"

the program if they weren't added to the TSCA inventory? Were they exempted for some reason? Did EPA refuse to approve them for distribution in commerce?